

### **Remarks**

Claims 1-14 and 21-23 were pending. Due to the restriction requirement, claims 15-20 and 24-30 are cancelled without prejudice to prosecution in a future application. No claims are added. Therefore, claims 1-14 and 21-23 are still pending.

Claim 1 was amended to clarify the claim. No new matter is added by this amendment.

### ***Summary of Telephone Interview***

Applicants thank Examiners Epperson and Wang for the courtesy of a telephone interview with Applicants representative Sheree Lynn Rybak, Ph.D. on January 11, 2006. During this interview, the 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) rejections were discussed, as well as the Preliminary Amendment filed with the RCE on December 22, 2005.

It was agreed that the “co-translationally” language in claim 1 would overcome the outstanding 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) rejections. However, there was disagreement on whether the term “following translation” would also overcome the rejections. Although Applicants disagreed, in order to expedite prosecution, Applicants agreed to remove the term “following translation” from claim 1.

The Examiners also noted a few grammatical errors in claim 1, which Applicants agreed to amend.

### ***Conclusions***

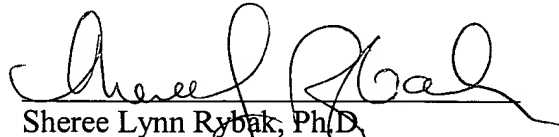
In view of the amendment to claim 1, Applicants respectfully request that the 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) rejection of the claims be withdrawn, and a Notice of Allowance issued. In addition, since generic claim 1 is allowable, Applicants request that the non-elected species (claims 2-7) also be allowed in this application.

If any minor issues remain before a Notice of Allowance is issued, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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